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Kentucky Registry of
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Sarah M. Jackson, Executive Director
140 Walnut Street
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RE: Advisory Opinion Request

Dear Ms. Jackson:

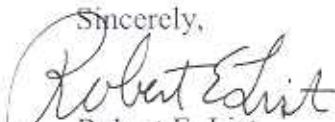
Pursuant to KRS 121.135 I am requesting an advisory opinion from the Registry on the following questions. I am an assistant Campbell County Attorney. In addition to handling misdemeanor cases in Campbell District Court I have a contract with the Campbell County Fiscal Court to perform civil legal services. Besides the contract being approved by the Fiscal Court I am not aware of any other connection with my position and the Fiscal Court. The first question is can I contribute to the election campaign of a person seeking the position of the Campbell County Judge Executive or Campbell County Commissioner?

I am also under contract to provide legal services for the City of Newport, Kentucky, a city of the second class. I am not an employee of the city, but an independent contractor. The City Commission approves my contract and I am under the control of the City Manager and City Attorney. Besides the city commission approving my contract I am not under the direct supervision of the commissioners. The second question is can I contribute to the candidacy of a person seeking the office of City of Newport Commissioner?

Both questions are based upon voluntary contributions and are not made under the promise of employment or the threat of termination of employment if not made.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



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